

Talking About the Future

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WHAT'S COVERED

In this lesson, you will learn how to communicate future actions in Spanish. Specifically, this lesson will cover:

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There is a very easy way to express future plans in Spanish without having to learn the future tense! In fact, you already do this in English.

➡ **EXAMPLE** Instead of saying, "I will eat at 1:00," we normally say, "I am going to eat at 1:00."

The meaning does not change. In Spanish, simply use a form of the verb *ir* (to go), add the preposition *a* (to), and then add any verb in the infinitive form.

Example Sentence	English Translation
Yo <u>voy a llamar</u> al doctor.	I am <u>going to call</u> the doctor.
Yo <u>voy a usar</u> la forma genérica.	I am <u>going to use</u> the generic form.
Yo <u>voy a surtir</u> la receta.	I am <u>going to fill</u> the prescription.
Ella <u>va a leer</u> las direcciones.	She is <u>going to read</u> the directions.
Él <u>va a pagar</u> con un cheque.	I You are <u>going to pay</u> with a check.
¿Usted <u>va a dar</u> la medicina a su hijo?	Are you <u>going to give</u> the medicine to your son?



SUMMARY

In this lesson, you learned how to communicate about **the future** in Spanish. To do this, you simply need to use the correct form of the verb "ir," the preposition "a," and the infinitive of any additional verb. This will allow you to speak about future intentions without learning the future tense.

¡Buena suerte!

Support

If you are struggling with a concept or terminology in the course, you may contact **PharmacySpanishSupport@capella.edu** for assistance.

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